

NORTH SLOPE OF ALASKA



HEIGHT: 2.5-8 FEET FROM NOSE TO TAIL
WEIGHT: 775 TO MORE THAN 1,500 POUNDS!
FUR COLOR: REFLECTING LIGHT MAKES IT APPEAR WHITE, BUT OXIDATION FROM THE SUN OR STAINING CAN MAKE IT LOOK YELLOW OR BROWN
AGE: 15-18 YEARS TYPICALLY, BUT A SMALL PROPORTION LIVES PAST 20-30 YEARS

INTERESTING FACT: FUR IS WATER REPELLENT. THE HAIRS DON'T MAT WHEN WET, ALLOWING THE BEARS TO EASILY SHAKE FREE OF WATER AND ANY ICE AFTER SWIMMING.

PROFESSOR POLAR BEAR
A PATCH OF SEA ICE OFF THE PACIFIC
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